

LIVE SPORTS

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Louis DougherGRIFF ORDERS INFIELD
TO WORK AT FIELDING;
WOULD STRENGTHEN IT

Old Fox Not Satisfied With Defense and Makes Players Hustle
Under Broiling Sun—Ban Johnson Calls at Capital on
Annual Swing Around the Circuit.

By THOMAS KIRBY.

In an effort to bolster up the defense, which did not hold up as well as was expected in the Philadelphia series, Clark Griffith today devoted a large part of the time of the morning practice to a grueling infield drill.

During most of the time the club has been at home since the opening season, practically all of the morning workouts have been in batting for the regulars and some little improvement has been brought about through this procedure.

Now it is to be the defense that is to receive particular attention, although there is no intention of neglecting batting as the opportunity presents itself.

Ban Johnson spent several hours yesterday afternoon in Washington, but his visit had no particular significance. He attended the game and consulted with club officials purely about business affairs and in leaving said he was simply making his annual spring swing around the circuit.

During their stay here the Chicago White Sox are quartered at the Bellevue. Sixteen players and four correspondents make up the party.

ATHLETICS GRAB INDIFFERENT CONTEST.

In the matter of excitement, general interest or quality of baseball that game yesterday did not compare with the ones that had gone ahead of it, the Athletics winning by 5 to 4, while a large crowd looked on rather indifferently.

Each team used three warring pitchers and when the Nationals' defense crumbled it was far too well to the Athletics' advantage to keep themselves on even terms with the champions.

It may be that the tension under which the Nationals performed while they were losing, tying, and beating the Athletics had to do with the lack of real class yesterday. Whatever the explanation the fact remains that the club showed many degrees weaker than it did on the days preceding yesterday's setback.

As matters stand today the Griffs have lost more games than they have won.

Four for the Athletics, two for the Nationals and one tie is the standing of the two series.

Amos Strunk returned to center field for the Mackmen, after an enforced lay off because of injuries and celebrated by making a couple of neat running catches as well as hitting out a real hit. Daley, who had been substituting in developing into a ball player, but the effect of Strunk's presence is easily seen in the Philadelphia outfield.

In these days of changing pitchers it is not safe to attempt to definitely forecast a pitching arrangement, but Johnson goes through today and Boehling is able to work tomorrow. Shaw will probably be in the box Thursday and Ayres on Friday.

The Cleveland Naps, a badly battered crew, will open their series here next Saturday.

As though the Reds did not do enough damage when they staved off the Naps, the Naps are now floundering around with half a dozen dependable batters on the hospital lists.

As was announced in these columns last March, Johnny Neff, the captain of the University of Virginia team, will win the National next month, as soon as he receives his degree at Charlottesville.

Griffith shook up his batting order yesterday, showing that he is into the lead and moving Smith down behind Shanks, but the shift availed little in the matter of consecutive hitting, although Morgan did come through with a triple that was about as far distant as any of the smashes made during the day.

Once more we respectfully call your attention to the lack of impressiveness of the Philadelphia pitchers.

When the champions of the world cannot find men on their staff to hold a team that has been hitting so poorly as have the Nationals it means that those pitchers will have to do some mighty extra time hitting if the Mackmen are to remain on top.

During the series no one of the Griffs hit more valuably than did Howard Banks.

He has now climbed to the 250 mark, surely nothing to be particularly proud of in the matter of actual figures, still quite a lofty position when some of the other Griffithians' records are considered.

In addition to the boost which Foster's great hitting gives the batting average of the strongest eight men, the pitchers being barred, that Griffith can place on the field is 25. Of course, this sort of near-climbing will not go a long way in climbing.

Except in the eighth, when he gave a base on balls and checked in a wild pitch, Bert Gallia looked good during the couple of innings that he worked yesterday, after having succeeded Joe Engel, who had taken the place of Doc Ayres.

It would not be surprising to see Jack Bentley worked into a game should relief be needed for any of the first string pitchers during the series that opens this afternoon. What Bentley needs principally is work, for he will not develop into a real pitcher by simply sitting on the bench or tossing to the batters in morning practice.

As there exists the widest diversity of opinion as to the relative merits of the

Big League Biffers of a Day.

	Ab.	H.	Tb.	Pct.
Williams, Cubs	2	2	3	1.000
Meyers, Giants	2	2	2	1.000
Griffith, Braves	1	1	1	1.000
Hess, Braves	1	1	1	1.000
Paskert, Phils.	4	3	4	.750
Connolly, Braves	3	2	3	.667
Cravath, Phils.	3	2	2	.667
J. Miller, Cards	5	3	3	.600
Magee, Cards	5	3	5	.600

Chicago White Sox Here to Open Invasion From the West

HERE ARE SOME REAL PICTURES OF WHAT REALLY HAPPENED



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RUMOR SAYS COBB
MAY JOIN OUTLAWS

Hank O'Day Likely to Lose His
Official Head as Manager of
the Chicago Cubs.

CHICAGO, May 12.—"Ty" Cobb, with a salary of \$17,000 a year from the Detroit Tigers, is reported to be firing desperately with a prospective three-year contract with the Chicago Cubs. Mr. Weismann, president of the Chicago Cubs, is reported to be overtures might be made to the Georgian.

Hank O'Day's regime as pilot of the Chicago Cubs will end May 15, according to a report which gained wide circulation about the baseball Rialto today. The story says that it is the Chicago Cardinals, who are expected to sign O'Day, that have followed a series of star chamber sessions attended by the Cub management.

Go Thirteen Innings
To Tie in Mound City

ST. LOUIS, Mo., May 12.—Punctuated by wildness on the part of the Cards twirlers and errors on both sides in critical places, the Cubs and the Cards battled thirteen innings yesterday to a tie at 5 to 5. Both teams hit the ball hard, but poor base running kept runs from crossing the plate.

Two Twirlers Suffer
While Giants Win Out

NEW YORK, May 12.—Hub Perdue and Art Fomine were hammered off the slab, but the champions won out from the Braves, 5 to 4, making it three straight. The score: R. H. E. Braves..... 000 000 10-6 5 4 Giants..... 000 000 00-0 3 12

Brooklyn Shut Out.

NEW YORK, May 12.—New York's new Federal League team was fitted to capacity when the Pittsburgh Snakes shut out the local team by 2 to 0 in the first game of the local season in the metropolis. The score: R. H. E. Pittsburgh..... 000 000 00-0 2 0 Brooklyn..... 000 000 00-0 5 1

Vernon Joins Tip Tops.

NEW YORK, May 12.—Manner Bill Brown of the Tip Tops yesterday signed Harry Vernon, the former American League pitcher, for two years. Vernon was better known for years as Vernon with Washington. He was with the Cubs a few seasons ago, but was sent to Los Angeles. He did not play last season.

Take Inaugural.

BUFFALO, May 12.—The Baltimore Terrapins pocketed the opening game played in the new Federal League park by 4 to 3. Mayor Louis F. Fuhmann threw out the first ball. The score: R. H. E. Baltimore..... 000 100 10-3 2 2 Buffalo..... 000 100 00-3 7 2

Mitchell Gets Credit.

Most of the credit for alleviating the civic sorrow of Cleveland, the recent occasion on which the Naps beat the Champs and accounted for their first victory, belongs to the battery. Roy Mitchell, of Sardis, Miss., and Bill Wood, of Little Rock, Ark.

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NAPLANDERS WEAK
AS INVASION OPENS

Four Regulars Unable to Play,
But Birmingham Refuses to
Be Downhearted.

PHILADELPHIA, May 12.—The Naplanders open their first invasion of the East greatly weakened. Manager Birmingham, however, refuses to be downcast over the poor condition of many of his stars, though four regulars are out of the game altogether. Bill Steen is suffering from a fractured finger. Bill Kahler has tonsillitis. "Angel" Jack Graney, the fleet-footed outfielder, has malaria, and Steve O'Neill, the first string backstop, is suffering from blood poisoning.

"We're opening our Eastern trip against the strongest club in the world," said Manager Birmingham today, "and we're a bunch of cripples. But we're going to make a fight down to the very end of things, just the same. Just because we've had so much bad luck, we're not going to quit. On the other hand, you'll find the Naps in every game."

Middies Disappointed
At Not Meeting Quakers

ANNAPOLIS, May 12.—The Naval Academy cadets began yesterday their final week of preparation for their annual regatta, which will be held at Philadelphia next Saturday. The Naval Academy will send first and second eights, the fourth class eight and its strongest four. The rowing party will leave Annapolis on Thursday, so as to have an opportunity of working on the waters upon which the regatta will be held. It is felt here that the first and second crews are strong. Overcast, the football captain, has been placed at stroke. "Cubert" moving to 6 in the first crew, which is the heaviest the Academy has ever had.

Jerry Travers Causes
Consternation on Links

SANDWICH, England, May 12.—Jerry Travers, of New York, amateur golf champion of the United States, found his true form yesterday, and caused a sensation among the British golfers who are to meet him in the coming championship by doing the Newark-Buffalo course here in 62 strokes. The amateur record for the course is 68.

Giants Set Pace.

McGraw not only sets the pace in the National League, but in diamond costume. The Giants blossomed out in stripes and others clubs adopted the fashion. Same is true of collars—leathers and mackinaws. A case of following suit, as it were.

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The Times camera man was right on his job in that final Mackmen-Griff men combat, and see what he shows you. On the top at the left you see Eddie Foster safe at third base in the fourth inning. On the right at the top you see Eddie Collins out at the plate in the fifth frame. The bottom picture shows you Jack Lapp safe at third base in the sixth inning. Watch The Times every day for the real snapshots of plays at Florida avenue.

Gilmore Is Summoned
To Explain Some Jumping

NEW YORK, May 12.—James A. Gilmore, president of the Federal League, liked every ceremony on the program at Washington Park yesterday except one. When Mr. Gilmore entered the park a man at the gate tapped him on the shoulder and handed him an envelope. It contained a summons for the baseball executive to appear in court in Rochester. The International League club in that city has filed a suit against Gilmore, charging him with conspiracy on account of Charlie McDonald's leap from the Giants' team to the Federal League.

Navy Will Have Three
Crews in Big Regatta

The United States Naval Academy and the University of Pennsylvania each has three entries, one four and two eight-oared shells. Harvard and Yale are entered in the junior college and the first eight-oared shells. Syracuse will row in the first eights and Princeton will row in the junior collegiate eights.

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A LITTLE OF EVERYTHING.
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Wish that we could get the Athletics in that sociability run today. Those birds never show any of that stuff.

The new Shamrock is of "futurist" design. Probably patterned after the Cup, which is very much in the future, so far as Sir Tommy is concerned.

The Federals are meeting with much success in Tampico and Mazatlan, but are losing out in Pittsburgh. General Carranza should rush re-enforcements to Don Gaster.

RABID RUDOLPH SAYS—

"Was out to the game yesterday, but I enjoyed the afternoon just the same. Beautiful day."

The English polo challengers are being chronically trimmed by local teams in practice games over at Hurlingham. Nothing like getting used to what's going to happen.

Baseball accomplished wonders in helping to civilize the Philippines. It will do the same for Mexico, if we can only induce the Mexicans to act as umpires. Get 'em one at a time.

If they build any more cup defenders, there will soon be a league of them.

The loyal fans haven't lost heart. They still expect the team to finish in the American League.

It would be a sad blow to be beaten out by Newport News, wouldn't it?

That American captured by the Mexican brigands in Mazatlan may have been Jack Knight. Jack always was a great lad for traveling.

It's some consolation to a player when he is released by the Pittsburgh Reds to know that he cannot go in any direction but forward.

We're glad that no other club in the league is allowed to wear the Athletics' uniforms.

The West is in the East today, and we hope that the East doesn't go South.

RAY CALDWELL WINS
FOURTH CONSECUTIVE

Yankees' Crack Twirler Turns
Back Red Sox and Gives
Mates an Even Break.

BOSTON, Mass., May 12.—Ray Caldwell has hung up his fourth consecutive victory for 1914. Now he is on his way to win an even dozen games before dropping his first. He had a soft time of it defeating the Red Sox yesterday, and didn't extend himself very much to win, 6 to 2.

Walsh, Holden and Fritz Maisel came through with three-baggers at critical situations, while the Yankees were aided not a little by errors by Yerkes and Scott. The score: R. H. E. Yankees..... 010 122 00-6 6 1 Red Sox..... 000 010 10-2 7 4

Batteries—Yankees, Caldwell and Sweeney; Red Sox, Coumbe, Zeller, and Carrigan, Cady.

Baseball Standings

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Standing of Clubs.	Today's Games.	Tomorrow's Games.
W. L. Pct. Win. Loss.	Chicago at Washington.	Chicago at Philadelphia.
Detroit..... 16 7 .696 .739 .697	Cleveland at Philadelphia.	Detroit at New York.
Philadelphia..... 10 7 .588 .611 .556	Detroit at New York.	St. Louis at Boston.
New York..... 10 8 .556 .579 .528	St. Louis at Boston.	
St. Louis..... 11 10 .524 .555 .500		
WASHIN'TN. 9 10 .474 .500 .450		
Chicago..... 10 13 .435 .458 .417		
Boston..... 7 11 .389 .421 .368		
Cleveland..... 7 14 .333 .354 .313		

Today's Games.

Chicago at Washington.
Cleveland at Philadelphia.
Detroit at New York.
St. Louis at Boston.

Tomorrow's Games.

Chicago at Washington.
Cleveland at Philadelphia.
Detroit at New York.
St. Louis at Boston.

Yesterday's Results.

Philadelphia, 8; Washington, 4.
New York, 6; Boston, 2.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

NATIONAL LEAGUE.		Standing of Clubs.		Today's Games.	
	W. L.	Pct.	Win.	Loss.	
Pittsburgh	15 4	.789	.800	.750	
Brooklyn	9 6	.600	.625	.529	
Philadelphia	9 6	.600	.625	.529	
New York	9 6	.600	.625	.529	
Cincinnati	11 10	.524	.549	.494	
Chicago	9 12	.429	.458	.409	
St. Louis	7 16	.304	.323	.282	
Boston	3 12	.200	.250	.188	

Today's Games.

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Boston at Pittsburgh.
Chicago at St. Louis.

Tomorrow's Games.

New York at Pittsburgh.
Boston at Cincinnati.
Brooklyn at Chicago.
Philadelphia at St. Louis.

Yesterday's Results.

New York, 8; Boston, 5.
Philadelphia, 2; Brooklyn, 1.
Chicago, 5; St. Louis, 5.
(13 innings.)

FEDERAL LEAGUE

Standing of Clubs.	W. L.	Pct.	Today's Games.	Tomorrow's Games.
Baltimore	12 5	.706	.722	.697
St. Louis	12 5	.706	.722	.697
Indianapolis	10 9	.525	.550	.500
Chicago	11 10	.524	.549	.500
Brooklyn	7 8	.467	.490	.438
Buffalo	7 11	.389	.421	.368
Kansas City	10 13	.435	.458	.417
Pittsburgh	7 12	.368	.390	.330

Today's Games.

St. Louis at Chicago.

Today's Games.

St. Louis at Chicago.
Kansas City at Indianapolis.

Tomorrow's Games.

Pittsburgh at Brooklyn.
Baltimore at Buffalo.

Yesterday's Results.

Pittsburgh, 2; Brooklyn, 1.
Baltimore, 4; Buffalo, 2.
Indianapolis, 4; Kansas City, 3.
St. Louis-Chicago, rain.

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